

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 were pending in the above-identified application when last examined and are amended as indicated above. The claim amendments clarify the claim language and are not intended to limit the scope of the claims.

Claims 1-22 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over co-pending U.S. Pat. App. No. 10/412,019. In response, Applicants are submitting a terminal disclaimer to overcome the provisional double patenting rejection. In view of the accompanying terminal disclaimer, Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103.

In summary, claims 1-22 were pending in the application. This response amends claims 4, 5, and 17 to improve their form. For the above reasons, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the application including claims 1-22.

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